

IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

RETURN

OF

PROCEEDINGS

UNDER

"THE LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACTS, 1881 AND 1887;" "THE LABOURERS (IRELAND) ACTS, 1885-1886;" AND "THE PURCHASE OF LAND (IRELAND) ACTS, 1885, 1888, AND 1891;" AND "THE REDEMPTION OF RENT (IRELAND) ACT, 1891,"

DURING THE MONTH OF

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IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

MONTH OF APRIL, 1893.

Summary of Proceedings under "The Land Law (Ireland) Acts, 1881 and 1887," up to the 30th day of April, 1893; also of Proceedings up to same date, under "The Labourers (Ireland) Acts, 1885-1886," and under "The Purchase of Land (Ireland) Acts, 1885, 1888, and 1891," and "The Redemption of Rent (Ireland) Act, 1891."

COURT OF THE IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

I.—FAIR RENT.

(a.) In Court.

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to 31st March, 1893,	175,918	175,441	Rents fixed— By Chief Commission to 31st March, 1893,	5,970	3,892
Applications received in month of April, 1893,	523		" in month of April, 1893,	23	
Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court, transferred from Civil Bill Courts, to 31st March, 1893,	8,788	8,803	By Sub-Commissions to 31st March, 1893,	148,943	148,318
Do. in month of April, 1893,	65		" in month of April, 1893,	372	
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to 31st March, 1893,	28,949	28,983	Dismissed and struck out— By Chief Commission to 31st March, 1893,	2,271	2,275
Applications received in month of April, 1893,	34		" in month of April, 1893,	4	
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court, transferred from Civil Bill Courts, to 31st Mar., 1893,	1,301	1,307	By Sub-Commissions to 31st March, 1893,	33,971	33,085
Do. in month of April, 1893,	6		" in month of April, 1893,	114	
Total,	—	214,534	Withdrawn*— By Chief Commission to 31st March, 1893,	5,066	5,067
			" in month of April, 1893,	1	
			By Sub-Commissions to 31st March, 1893,	8,889	8,893
			" in month of April, 1893,	4	
			Total disposed of,	—	208,637

(b.) Out of Court.

Agreements out of Court, in form S3, fixing Fair Rent to 31st March, 1893,	113,286
Do. do. in month of April, 1893,	106
Total,	113,371

* An application to fix a Fair Rent must be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be inferred, where applications for leave to withdraw are made, that a rent has been agreed upon between the parties.

II—MISCELLANEOUS ORIGINATING NOTICES *

Miscellaneous Originating Notices, (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of Holdings, &c.): Applications received to 31st March, 1893,	1,277	1,282	Number disposed of to 31st March, 1893,	2,129
Applications received in month of April, 1893,	5		" in month of April, 1893,	10
Miscellaneous Originating Notices, (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of Holdings, &c.) transferred from Civil Bill Courts to 31st March, 1893, . . Do. in month of April, 1893,	28 1	29		
Applications by Leaseholders to be declared Tenants of present tenancies (Form 81) received to 31st March, 1893,	1,036			
Applications in month of April, 1893,	—	1,036		
Total,	—	2,347	Total disposed of,	2,159

* The first notice of application to the Court, setting its decision upon the true value of a tenancy, fair rent, avoidance of lease, or any other question which the Court has jurisdiction to decide under the Act, is termed an Originating Notice.

III.—APPLICATIONS BY LESSEE OR GRANTEE TO HAVE LEASE OR GRANT EXECUTED SINCE 1ST JANUARY, 1869, DECLARED VOID ("LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887,"—SEC. 2.)—FORM 80.

Number of Applications received to 23rd February, 1888,†	55	Leases or Grants declared void to 31st March, 1893,	22	29
		" in month of April, 1893,	—	
		Applications dismissed or struck out to 31st March, 1893,	29	30
		" in month of April, 1893,	1	
		Applications withdrawn or com- promised to 31st March, 1893,	3	3
		" in month of April, 1893,	—	
Total,	55	Total disposed of,	—	55

† The time limited in the Act for lodging an Application of this kind expired on the 23rd February, 1888.

IV.—APPLICATIONS BY MIDDLEMAN CLAIMING TO BE ENTITLED TO SURRENDER HIS HOLDING UNDER SEC. 8 OF "LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887."—FORM 83.

Number of Applications received to 31st March, 1893,	12	19	Applications granted to 31st March, 1893,	1	1
" in month of April, 1893,	—		" in month of April, 1893,	—	
" Transferred from Civil Bill Courts to 31st March, 1893,	3	3	Applications dismissed or struck out to 31st Mar., 1893, in month of April, 1893,	9	9
" in month of April, 1893,	—		Applications withdrawn to 31st March, 1893,	3	
			" in month of April, 1893,	—	5
Total,	—	15	Total disposed of,	—	13

V.—PROCEEDINGS UNDER THE LANDWORKERS (IRELAND) ACTS, 1885-1886.

Applications received to 31st Mar., 1893,	3,418	Rents fixed to 31st March, 1893,	2,795	2,910
" in April, 1893,	—	" in April, 1893,	115	
		Applications dismissed, struck out, and withdrawn to 31st March, 1893,	334	334
		" in April, 1893,	—	—
Total,	3,418	Total disposed of,	—	3,244

VI.—APPEALS OF FAIR RENTS, &c.

Number of Appeals lodged to 31st March, 1893,	40,381	Number heard to 31st Mar., 1893,	19,487	19,680
" in month of April, 1893,	93	" in month of April, 1893,	193	
		Number dismissed or struck out to 31st March, 1893,	*1,078	—
		" in month of April, 1893,	—	—
		Deduct cases reinstated to 30th April, 1893,	1,076	—
			275	801
		Number withdrawn to 31st Mar., 1893,	18,285	—
		" in month of April, 1893,	80	18,365
		Total Number disposed of,	—	38,816
		Remaining to be disposed of,	—	1,659
Total,	40,474	Total,	—	40,474

* In 645 cases the Notices were struck out because maps were not lodged, as required by Rule 74, and in 431 cases because the Notices were not duly stamped. Of the former 43 cases, and of the latter 213 cases, were reinstated.

VII.—PURCHASE OF LAND (IRELAND) ACTS, 1885 AND 1883.

	Number.	Amount.
Loans applied for to 31st March, 1893,	29,335	£ 11,378,932
" in April, 1893,	—	—
Deduct Applications refused,	29,335	11,378,932
	3,133	1,238,479
	26,202	10,140,453
Loans sanctioned to 31st March, 1893,	25,195	9,768,415
Less amount in four cases since rescinded by Order of Court,	4	3,027
	25,191	9,765,388
Loans sanctioned in month of April, 1893,	28	11,619
	25,219	9,777,007
Loans issued to 31st March, as per last Return,	22,084	8,800,771
" " less amount included in error in previous Returns,	—	10
Total Loans issued to 31st March, 1893,	22,084	8,800,761
Loans issued in April, 1893,	147	72,429
	22,231	8,873,190

VIII.—PURCHASE OF LAND (IRELAND) ACT, 1891.

	Number.	Amount.
Loans applied for to 31st March, 1893,	2,301	£ 944,653
" in April, 1893,	153	70,679
" in cases of Purchase of Estates to 31st March, 1893,	951	192,433
" " " in April, 1893,	23	3,103
	3,323	1,215,827
Deduct applications and offers for Purchase of Estates refused,	537	141,355
	2,786	1,074,471
Loans sanctioned to 31st March, 1893,	1,555	569,471
" in April, 1893,	118	52,199
" in cases of Purchase of Estates to 31st March, 1893,	313	45,163
" " " in April, 1893,	4	1,800
	1,890	668,533
Loans issued to 31st March, 1893,	660	223,252
" in April, 1893,	141	52,737
" for Purchase of Estates to 31st March, 1893,	45	12,699
" " " in April, 1893,	—	—
	847	238,678

IX.—REDEMPTION OF RENT (IRELAND) ACT, 1891.

Applications received to 31st March, 1893,	624	Consents to Redemption of Rent received and cases treated as Agreements to Purchase to 31st March, 1893,	103	109
" in April, 1893,	29	" in April, 1893,	1	
		Consents not received and cases treated as applications to the Fair Rents* to 31st March, 1893,	465	475
		" in April, 1893,	10	
		Number of cases dismissed to 31st March, 1893,	6	6
		" in April, 1893,	—	
		Number of cases struck out and withdrawn to 31st March, 1893,	6	6
		" in April, 1893,	—	
Total,	653	Total disposed of,	—	396

* Applications treated as Fair Rent cases are also included in Fair Rent Table, (c) page 4.

CIVIL BILL COURTS.

MONTH OF APRIL, 1893.

Summary of Proceedings under "The Land Law (Ireland) Acts, 1881 and 1887," as notified to the Irish Land Commission, up to the 30th day of April, 1893.

I.—FAIR RENT.

(a.) *In Court.*

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to 31st March, 1893,	27,378		Rents fixed to 31st March, 1893,	14,060	
Applications received in month of April, 1893,	59		" in month of April, 1893,	266	14,326
		27,437	Applications dismissed or struck out to 31st March, 1893,	2,970	
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed to 31st March, 1893,	5,868		" in month of April, 1893,	30	3,000
Applications received in month of April, 1893,	4		Applications withdrawn* to 31st March, 1893,	310	
		5,872	" in month of April, 1893,	5	315
Applications to fix Fair Rents in Civil Bill Courts under sec. 6 "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," when an ejectment is pending, to 31st March, 1893,	2,196		Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 31st March, 1893,	10,039	
Applications received in month of April, 1893,	6		" in month of April, 1893,	71	10,110
		2,202			
Total,	—	33,431	Total disposed of,	—	25,354

(b.) *Out of Court.*

Agreements out of Court, in Form No. 33, fixing Fair Rent to 31st March, 1893,	7,127
Do, do, in month of April, 1893,	1
Total,	7,128

* An application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be inferred, where applications for leave to withdraw are made, that a rent has been agreed upon between the parties.

II.—MISCELLANEOUS ORIGINATING NOTICES.†

Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of Holdings, &c.):	450		Number disposed of to 31st March, 1893,	208	
Applications received to 31st March, 1893,	2		" in month of April, 1893,	5	215
Applications received in month of April, 1893,	—	452	Transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 31st March, 1893,	28	
Applications by Leaseholders to be declared Tenants of present Tenancies, (Form 81) received to 31st March, 1893,	3		Transferred in month of April, 1893,	1	29
Applications received in month of April, 1893,	—	3			
Total,	—	485	Total disposed of,	—	242

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III.—APPLICATIONS BY LESSEE OR GRANTEE TO HAVE LEASE OR GRANT EXERCISED SINCE 1ST JANUARY, 1889, DECLARED VOID ("LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887,"—SEC. 2).—FORM 80.

Number of Applications received to 23rd February, 1888,*	8	Leases or Grants declared void to 31st March, 1893,	—	
		" in month of April, 1893,	—	
		Applications dismissed or struck out to 31st March, 1893,	6	
		" in month of April, 1893,	—	6
		Applications withdrawn or compromised to 31st March, 1893,	—	
		" in month of April, 1893,	—	
		Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 31st March, 1893,	—	
		" in month of April, 1893,	—	
Total,	8	Total disposed of,	—	6

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IV.—APPLICATIONS BY MIDDLEMAN CLAIMING TO BE ENTITLED TO SURRENDER HIS HOLDING UNDER SEC. 8 OF "LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887."—FORM 83.

Number of Applications received to 31st March, 1893,	21	Applications granted to 31st March, 1893,	3	
" in month of April, 1893,	—	" in month of April, 1893,	—	3
		Applications dismissed or struck out to 31st March, 1893,	4	
		" in month of April, 1893,	—	4
		Applications withdrawn to 31st March, 1893,	1	
		" in month of April, 1893,	—	1
		Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 31st March, 1893,	3	
		" in month of April, 1893,	—	3
Total,	21	Total disposed of,	—	11

Irish Land Commission, }
19th May, 1893.

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